2021 LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT

The Landscape Committee had another very active year. Thanks to all committee members and volunteers who offered their time and talent to help us accomplish many of these projects.

VILLAGE PARK

Removed one large Hemlock tree at VP entrance that died suddenly. Had remaining two inspected by Carolina Hemlock for possible disease or adelgid infestation. None found.

Volunteers planted annual accent flowers at the VP entrance and removed unnecessary otto luyken laurels near gate that were in front of mature rhododendron.

Renewed TPS Landscaping contract for 2022.

Planned for the refurbishing of the second island from the VP entrance in 2022. Two existing electrical posts to be removed and existing plants to be replaced with two green vase zelkova trees, evergreen shrubs and summer interest annuals.

THE MEADOWS

Volunteers planted new, more appropriately sized plants in the Park to replace the overgrown shrubs that were removed last year. Volunteers also took care of watering, dead heading and fertilizing during the hot summer months.

Researched possible remedies to reduce the mole population in the Park and neighborhood resulting in application of a grub control product to reduce the moles' main food source. Bob LeBoeuf applied the treatment, and it was effective for about six months. We plan to apply this treatment twice a year going forward.

Consulted with Carolina Hemlock resulting in systemic treatment of hemlocks behind Unit #46. The 3 hemlocks at the side of Unit 54 were retreated and infested branches removed. Other hemlocks in the Meadows were inspected for adelgids and none were found. All to be inspected yearly going forward.

Met with several arborists regarding disease of Leyland Cypress in the Meadows and VP. They have developed passalora needle blight and some have seridium canker. There is no treatment available that is guaranteed to cure the problem. Any treatment would be ongoing and not assured to remedy the blight. Quotes to remove the trees & stumps and replace with appropriate trees have been obtained and a plan on how best to proceed from a budgetary standpoint is being developed.

Tasked with researching viability of additional plantings behind Unit #36 & #38. Research into appropriate plant choices and costs was conducted and consultations were arranged with two landscaping companies for advice and recommendations.

Installed new plantings in driveway mulch beds between Units 1/3, 28/30 and 52/54 and revamped drain lines where necessary. Removed and replaced foundation plants at Unit #44 and reduced size of mulch bed and replaced with sod. Dead compacta holly was removed. New shrubs were planted at side of Unit #54 to replace overgrown shrubs that were removed.

Negotiated with Developer regarding dead plant replacement and drainage issues at Units #6, 8 & 12.

Worked with TPS on ways to improve the condition and appearance of the bank behind Units #2-12. Work is ongoing.

Processed 25 homeowners' requests. Two required no immediate action; one required ongoing research and all others were approved. Several of these requests will not be addressed until future budget allows and several are being handled under Developer warranty.

Established list of projects to be undertaken in 2022 to continue efforts to remove overgrown and suckering plants in the Meadows, reduce size of mulch beds where feasible and give the neighborhood an updated and fresh appearance.